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September 19, 2001

Mr. Vernon Williams Secretary Surface Transportation Board 1925 K Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20423-0001

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SURFAUE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

Termination of Lease of Railroad Equipment dated August 30, 2001 by Helm Financial Corporation ("Lease Termination").

Dear Mr. Williams:

On behalf of Helm Financial Corporation, I submit for filing and recording, under 49 U.S.C. Section 11303(a) and the regulations promulgated thereunder the following document:

fully-executed originals of the above-referenced Lease Termination.

In connection with the recording of the Lease Termination, please note the following information:

Name and Address of Lessor:

Helm Financial Corporation One Embarcadero Center, Suite 3700 San Francisco, CA 94111

Name and Address of Lessee: Southern Illinois Railcar Company

505 Buckeye Drive Executive Park 2 Troy, IL 62294

Equipment:

1 Covered Hopper Railcar

SIRX 400216

Please record this Lease Termination as a supplemental agreement to STB Recordation No. 18910 filed on July 20, 1994. The filing fee of \$28,00 is included in our enclosed Check No. 46802 in the amount of \$588.00.

Summary: Termination of Lease of Railroad Equipment dated August 30, 2001 by Helm Financial Corporation for 1 covered hopper railcar, SIRX 400216, to be filed as a supplemental agreement. Please file this Lease Termination as a supplemental agreement to STB Recordation No. 18910.

Yours truly,

Allam A. Ken Sossan Sharon L. Van Fossan

Supervisor Contract Administration

Enclosures (2)

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TERMINATION OF LEASE

THIS TERMINATION OF LEASE OF RAILROAD EQUIPMENT ("Termination") is dated as of August 30, 2001 by HELM FINANCIAL CORPORATION, a California corporation ("Lessor").

1. Recitals. Lessor entered into the Lease of Railroad Equipment dated as of June 9, 1994 ("Lease") with Southern Illinois Railcar Company, an Illinois corporation, with respect to the railcar described in Schedule A attached hereto. The Lease is on file at the Surface Transportation Board of the Department of Transportation ("STB") under STB Recordation No. 18910 filed on July 20, 1994.

The Lease was terminated on June 13, 2000. The purpose of this Termination of Lease is to provide a formal termination document for filing with the STB.

2. <u>Termination</u>. The Lease is hereby formally terminated.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Lessor, pursuant to due corporate authority, has caused this Termination of Lease to be signed in its corporate name as of the date first above written.

HELM FINANCIAL CORPORATION

RECORDATION NO. (8910-A PALE)

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Name: Barbara W. Wilson

Title: Senior Vice President & CFO

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA)

OUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO)

On _______, 2001, before me, J. L. Pat Taft, personally appeared Barbara W. Wilson, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of HELM FINANCIAL CORPORATION,

 \underline{X} personally known to me -OR-

____ proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence

to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/ase subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(iss), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

SIGNATURE OF

J. L. PAT TAFT
Comm. # 1229000
NOTARY PUBLIC - CALIFORNIA
City & County of San Francisco
My Comm. Expires July 16, 2003

Witness my hand and official seal.

THE NOTARY

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SCHEDULE A

<u>Description of the Unit:</u>
One (1), 100-ton, 4000 cubic foot capacity, covered hopper railcar with trough hatches and gravity outlet gates.

Unit Number: SIRX 400216

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